Parks and Recreation Commission Jan. 11, 2006 Minutes of the meeting 7 p.m. @ 31 Arbor Way

MINUTES:

- I. CALL TO ORDER: Vice-chair Neal Breen called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m. Present: Commission members: Bob Larew, Mike Pantuosco, N. Breen, Tom Stauffer, Tom Boscarino, Kevin Hayes, Hunter Giroux and Gordon Oliver.
- II. CORRESPONDENCE:
- III. APPROVAL OF OCT.19, 2005 MEETING MINUTES:
 MOTION: MADE BY M. PANTUOSCO AND SECONDED BY K. HAYES.
 VOTE: 5-0 IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION (3 MEMBERS HAD NOT
 ARRIVED AT THE MEETING AT THE POINT OF THE VOTE).
- IV. PUBLIC FORUM:

Present: Jim Close, a long-time volunteer in various Ellington programs. Mr. Close revisited the subject matter pertaining to athletic field/facility updates and/or expansion.

Commission members responded that creating a short and long term master plan was a high priority within the commission's scope.

- V. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:
- VI. RECREATION DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Discussion was initiated relative to revisiting the long-standing issues of:
a) accepting donations for specific facilities; b) submitting a short and
long term master plan re athletic facility upgrade and/or repairs. c)
determining if ANY parcel of land (within Ellington) is available for
possible expansion.

Based on the consensus of the members present at meeting, an updated report will be filed within 2 weeks from the point of the 1-11-06 meeting, defining: a) 2000-2005 program enrollment figures; b) 10-15 year program projections, inclusive of passive and non-passive facility needs.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

a) Finance: All boards and agencies received the 2006-07 budget memorandum from the Board of Finance.

MOTION: MADE BY T. BOSCARINO AND SECONDED BY H. GIROUX TO SUBMIT THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION'S 2006-07 BUDGET WITH A 5% INCREASE, TO HELP OFFSET/RECOUP THE DISPROPORTIONATE BUDGET REDUCTIONS RECEIVED TO THE 2005-06 FY BUDGET.

VOTE: 7-0 IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION (ONE BOARD MEMBER LEFT THE MEETING EARLIER DUE TO FAMILY REASONS).

VIII. OLD BUSINESS

a) Re 2005/Fall utility invoice to: Ellington Football league Motion: MADE BY T. BOSCARINO AND SECONDED BY K. HAYES TO INVOICE THE ELLINGTON FOOTBALL LEAGUE (\$450.00) FOR UTILITY COSTS INCURRED DURING THE 2005 SEASON AT BROOKSIDE PARK.

VOTE: 7-0 IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION.

The annual Brookside Park pavilion usage fee will be discussed at the Feb. 8, 2006 commission meeting.

- IX. NEW BUSINESS
- X. ADJOURN:

MOTION: MADE BY. T. BOSCARINO AND SECONDED BY T. STAUFFER TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 9:45 P.M. VOTE: 6-0 IN FAVOR OF THE MOTION.

1-19-06 SUBMITTED BY, BOB TEDFORD